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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1654

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Serial No.: 08/986,606

Examiner: A. Davenport

Filed: December 8, 1997

or: SIXTEEN AMINO ACID OF THE ANTINEOPLASTIC PROTEIN (ANUP)

AS A PHARMACOLOGICALLY ACTIVE ANTI-TUMOR AGENT

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pro se Applicant is now represented by counsel and in this regard a Power of Attorney was filed in Tech Center 1600 on September 2, 1999.

As discussed with Examiner Davenport during a brief meeting on the occasion of filing of the Power of Attorney it is respectfully requested that the Notice of Abandonment be set aside in view of the submission herewith of a Petition for extension of time for response to the Office action of March 4, 1999.

The Office action essentially is in the form of a repeat of a Notice to Comply in respect of a sequence submission in accordance with the Rules.

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In this latter regard some confusion existed as to whether *Pro se* Applicant Sloane had in fact after a *bona fide* attempt complied with the Rules. Examiner Davenport indicated that despite Applicant Sloane's *bona fide* attempt there in fact had not been compliance.

Undersigned is in the process of preparing a disk in ASCII in compliance with the Rules.

In the interim, herewith is a Sequence Listing formatted in compliance with the Rules as it would in fact appear if prepared using PatentIn version 2.0.

The undersigned shortly will submit a disk with the Sequence Listing thereon, an actual printout from the disk and the requisite statement pursuant to the Rules in respect of the machine-readable disk and the paper printout of the sequence being identical.

Respectfully submitted,

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